



WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 6, 1904.

From Washington.
(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)
Washington, D. C., April 6.
Before leaving the city last night Secretary of War William H. Taft settled the controversy between the chaplains of the regular army and the representatives of the Young Men's Christian Association to the satisfaction of the former, without leaving the latter any room for complaint. In brief Secretary Taft has refused mandatorily to direct that the Young Men's Christian Association shall have control of army post exchanges, yet neither does he direct that the association shall be kept out of the post exchange buildings by commanding officers. On the contrary he practically leaves the entire matter to the post commanders.

The rumor that ex-Secretary of War Elihu Root has been practically determined upon for temporary chairman of the republican convention at Chicago, was verified at the White House today. Senator Platt, of New York, had a conference with the President during which the matter was taken up and after he left the President's office said that he thought the programme would be carried out. Senator Platt as well as Senator Dewey, who was at the White House later, did not take much stock in the suggestion that Gen. Horace Porter is being groomed by the republican machine for the governorship of New York. "He is a splendid man," said Senator Dewey, "but will not appear as a candidate."

The U. S. gunboat Helena, which has been in mud dock at Yin Kow, Manchuria, all winter, has arrived at Shanghai, according to a cablegram received from her commander, Capt. Mason, this morning.

Secretary Hay and Senator Quesada, the Cuban minister, this morning signed a treaty for the extradition of criminals between the two countries represented. The new treaty is very broad in its provisions and was practically drafted by the State Department.

The Navy Department today gave out copies of telegrams from the members of the court of inquiry that investigated the Missouri-Illinois collision, each emphatically denying that he had received any telegram from any one in Washington concerning the subject of the inquiry previous to the finding. These denials were called forth by the publication in the Army and Navy Journal of New York, last Saturday, that two such messages had been sent from Washington by "high authority," intimating that their purpose had been to influence the finding of the court.

The House Committee on ways and means today endorsed the recommendation of a sub-committee and authorized favorable report on the bill which relieves the grower of tobacco from paying an internal revenue tax on leaf tobacco of his own raising.

Bids for the construction of the "Academy Group" of buildings of the Naval Academy at Annapolis were opened at noon today at the Navy Department. There were only three bids and as these were very low competitive there is some doubt whether or not the department will accept any of them. The Noel Construction Company of Baltimore, for instance, submitted two bids, one for the entire construction and the second for the granite work with the exception of the granite work. The Hallowell Granite Works of Hallowell, Me., bid upon the granite work alone, while John Pierce of New York bid upon the entire work with the exception of the equipment. The bids have not yet been figured out by the department, but upon their face they seem to exceed the estimate, a condition which has occurred at nearly every bidding contest since the construction of the new academy was begun.

A resolution will be introduced in the Senate this week, fixing April 20, for the date of adjournment of Congress.

Bishop Spaulding, of Peoria, Ill., a member of the late anthracite coal strike committee, appeared before the House committee on labor today in support of the Foss bill to create a national arbitration tribunal to settle differences between labor and capital.

Captain T. Bentley Mott, artillery corps, at present military attaché at Paris, has received the prize of the United States Cavalry Association for the best paper on a cavalry topic in the competition of 1903. The subject of his essay was the French cavalry school at Saumur, and its application to our army. Captain Mott is aide of the late Dr. A. R. Mott, of Leesburg, Va.

It is reported here that the late Gen. W. H. Payne, of Warrenton, who died last week, left each of his six children upwards of \$20,000.

Mr. Rixey has secured the passage of a bill for a pension for Mrs. Sarah Herman. He has also secured the passage by the House of a bill increasing from \$12 to \$24 per month the pension of August Henning, formerly of Alexandria, but now of Fairfax county, Va.

The Benning races continue to grow in interest and are largely attended every day.

Fifty-Eighth Congress.

Washington, D. C., April 6.

SENATE.

The Senate immediately after convening today, agreed to a resolution favorably reported from the committee on foreign relations, referring the Colon fairs claims to the President for adjustment.

Mr. Heyburn at the conclusion of the routine business, called from the table a resolution directing the Secretary of Agriculture to report what examinations of adulterated foods he has made.

The resolution was then agreed to, as was also one calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury to report as to the examination of medicine and drugs at the port of New York.

HOUSE.

The House today gave consideration to matters affecting the District of Columbia.

Narrow Escape of Steamer.

A bomb containing two pounds of powder heavily charged with nitroglycerine and a box of 100 detonating caps was found on the guardrail of the steamer Albany, of the Western Transportation Company's line, at Portland, Oregon, yesterday. The fuse had burned almost to the caps, but had gone out. Had the bomb exploded, the Albany would doubtless have been completely wrecked. From the fact that a quantity of Chinese tissue paper and a white sock such as is worn by Chinese was wrapped around the bomb it is thought that a plot to destroy the steamer was evolved by Chinese. The transportation company has persistently refused to employ Chinese.

News of the Day.

The cabinet yesterday decided that if necessary the property of the Panama Railroad Company will be protected against strikers by a force of marines.

J. William Middendorf & Co., of Baltimore, and John L. Williams & Co., of Richmond, may get additional extension in order to make settlements and continue business.

The civil ceremony of the marriage of Capt. Algernon Sartoris, grandson of the late General Grant, to Miss Germaine Cecile Noufflard will take place April 25 in Paris.

It is said that when the President learned that his daughter, Miss Alice, had made bets on the races he told her to go to New York until the ponies had left Benning track. A photographer pictured her in the act of giving money to a commissioner and of showing her winnings triumphantly to Representative Gillett, of Massachusetts.

In the municipal election in Chicago yesterday the republicans elected eighteen aldermen, the democrats sixteen, and one independent republican. In Kansas City, Mo., the republican ticket was elected. Mayor David S. Rose, democrat, carried Milwaukee, Wis., yesterday, having a plurality of 5,912 over Guy D. Goff, republican. Returns from municipal elections in the State outside of Milwaukee show republican and democratic victories about evenly divided. Republicans elected their entire city ticket in Lincoln, Neb., by majorities ranging from 500 to 1,100.

AFTER THE LAUNCHING.

The successful launching of the battleship Virginia at Newport News yesterday was noticed in the Gazette of that day. The day was a gala one in Newport News, the city being crowded and many State troops being present to take part in the parade. After the launching the christening party and distinguished guests were conveyed across to Old Point Comfort, where at the Hotel Chamberlin, the post-launching banquet was held.

The banquet was one of the most brilliant in the history of the shipyard. Covers were laid for 825 guests. President C. R. Orcutt acted as toastmaster. The first toast was "The President of the United States," to which Assistant Secretary of the Navy Charles H. Darling responded. He declared that the office of President was above that of any prince, king or potentate because it represented the free choice of 80,000,000 persons.

Rear-Admiral Peter F. Harrington, commandant of the navy yard at Norfolk, responded to the toast "The Navy: Her Strength the Best Guarantee of Peace." The Admiral compared the old Delaware of the ancient navy with the Virginia, saying that the ship launched today would be able to defeat a thousand ships like that of the famous old frigate. When he included Robert E. Lee in his tribute to great Virginians the audience applauded so vigorously that he could not proceed for some minutes.

"Virginia: the Glory of Her Past Lights the Way to the Future," was the sentiment to which Gov. A. J. Montague responded. His address was a gem. Virginia's name, he said, had been identified with the progress of human liberty since the world began making history. She was for free government and had the skeleton of one outlined before the pilgrims touched Plymouth Rock. From the Bacon rebellion to Appomattox her sons had played a heroic part in every struggle for American independence and the advancement of civilization. Over 200 battles had been fought on her soil, "and," said the governor, "the American flag never suffered defeat except when the soldiers of the Old Dominion were fighting against it. This commonwealth can never be against that flag again. Have we not spilled enough common blood on the common soil to make us a common people, now and forever? The American navy is the supreme expression of national power and national union, and if the hour ever comes dark, when the nation needs strong arms to support it and brave men to protect her and carry her flag to glory and safety, the men of Virginia will do it and do it well." The governor closed with a prophetic forecast of Virginia's commercial and industrial development.

R. G. Bickford spoke of "Our Merchant Marine at Present Largely in Prospect." He declared that Americans annually contribute to the maintenance of the auxiliary navies of foreign nations enough to build 30 vessels like the Virginia. Naval decadence, he said, went hand in hand with the decline of the merchant marine.

President George W. Stevens, of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company, spoke briefly, telling of the growth of the State. He proposed the health of Mr. Orcutt, who in turn proposed the health of General Superintendent Post. Mr. Post in turn proposed the health of his assistants, and the affair broke up in a mutual admiration society at 7 o'clock.

Young Woman Beaten.

Bertha Van Gelder, aged 22, one of a number of girls employed as press-feeders by a Chicago printing establishment, in place of striking members of Franklin Union, is the victim of alleged "slugging" tactics employed by the strikers. While on her way home, accompanied by her younger sister, Alice, on Monday night Miss Van Gelder was attacked and brutally beaten by men whom she declared are striking press-feeders or their sympathizers. She is said to be in a critical condition. The girl had been, it is said, warned to quit working for the firm, but refused. She was within a few doors of her home when two men appeared, and one struck her a blow to the face. She fell unconscious, and was left moaning on the sidewalk. When carried to her home it was found that her nose had been broken and her face pummeled as if struck with brass-knuckles, while her body was bruised in several places, where she had been kicked. One hand was frightfully lacerated having apparently been ground under the heel of an assailant.

The Bulgarian ministry has decided to further reinforce the guards on the frontier, believing that a Turkish invasion is imminent. Reports from the Macedonian provinces, where the Turkish troops are busiest in their preparations, state that the villagers have been forbidden to go to work in the fields. This is done to keep a knowledge of Turkish preparations from the natives. The report adds that the revolutionary elements are also completing their plans for an uprising should the occasion occur.

Virginia News.

In a game of base ball at Charlottesville yesterday Virginia defeated Lehigh; score 22 to 9.

There is intense feeling in Portsmouth over the removal of the president's and other executive offices of the Seaboard road to Norfolk. It will carry one hundred clerks and their families across the river.

Mrs. Jane Weaver, widow of J. D. Weaver, died at her home in Front Road yesterday of heart disease aged eighty years. She was Miss Frisette and a member of an old Virginia family. Six daughters and two sons survive her.

Miss Julia Jacobs, daughter of William H. Jacobs, died at her home, at Ninevah, Warren county, yesterday, of consumption, aged 20 years. Until one year ago Miss Jacobs enjoyed perfect health and was quite a belle. Her parents, two sisters and one brother survive.

The catch of shad and herring for the past few days near Onancock has been the largest for years. A number of the fishermen realized a thousand dollars each for last week's work. Very few nets paid less than fifty dollars. Clams are also being caught in large quantities and heavy shipments at paying prices are made daily.

The postoffice at Gordonsville was broken into and robbed some time during Monday night. It is not known how an entrance was effected, as both the front and rear doors of the building were open Tuesday morning when the postmaster went to his duties. About \$17 in stamps were stolen, besides several registered letters. The postoffice authorities in Washington have been notified.

Messrs. Davis & Davis, Washington patent attorneys, report the grant, this week to citizens of this State of the following patents: Charles T. Harris, of Annex, for a gate; George E. McVey, of Spratts, for a stirrup; Eugene C. Bain, of East Radford, for a grain-drill; George W. Dudley and Arthur L. Dudley, of Staunton, for a recording and adding machine; Theodorick P. Epps, of Blackstone, for a tellurian; James D. Johnson, of Cloverdale, for a windmill; Carl J. Mellin, of Richmond, for a compound engine; Richard V. Parr, of Craigsville, for a bag holder; George W. Stengel, of Amelia, for a combination stove lid and cooking utensil lifter, and John E. Puckett, of Richmond, for a car stake.

Virginia Arguments Closed.

Another large crowd of negroes was present yesterday when argument in the suffrage case of William S. Seiden and others against Governor Montague, of Virginia, was continued in the United States Supreme Court in Washington by Attorney-General and Mr. F. W. Christian, both of whom contended for the validity of the suffrage clause of the new State constitution, which is attacked by the proceedings. Mr. Anderson dealt especially with the constitutional question involved, arguing that as the suffrage provision makes no discrimination on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude it does not conflict with the fifteenth amendment, and that when that amendment is not violated each State has an unquestionable right to regulate its own electorate. He went so far as to say that in "determining what the qualifications of a voter shall be, it is competent for the State to fix as tests of fitness, characteristics which, though possessed by both white and colored citizens, are possessed by the whites in larger proportion than the blacks." As illustrations of such qualifications he included those of intelligence, military service in time of war, the ownership of property, or any other qualities or attributes which are not based on the race, color or previous condition of servitude of the citizen.

Mr. Christian confined himself largely to the presentation of the question of jurisdiction, holding that the procedure was not such that it was competent for a Federal court to act.

The arguments were closed by Capt. John S. Wise, who asserted that the control of State affairs in Virginia had been stolen from 100,000 disfranchised voters. His argument was an oratorical effort, which pleased his clients and provoked an enthusiastic reception for Mr. Wise among the crowd of colored people gathered in the rotunda of the Capitol as soon as he had concluded.

James Hayes, the colored lawyer associated with Mr. Wise, did not address the court.

The Virginia counsel are confident the State will win the case. The opinion is expressed that the decision will be on the jurisdiction of the court rather than the merits of the Constitution.

CONGRESSIONAL.

After listening to a two hours' speech by Mr. Morgan on the Panama canal question, the Senate yesterday again took up the postoffice appropriation bill, but adjourned without completing its consideration. Some important amendments aside from those suggested by the committee were agreed to, among them one increasing from two to four ounces the size of franked letters, and another adding twenty-five members to the force of rural free delivery agents.

The proceedings in the House, as stated yesterday, were continued by speeches by Mr. DeArmond and Mr. Grosvenor, the former attacking the republicans for failure to order an investigation into the postoffice charges and to revise the tariff, and the latter vigorously defending the republican party for its policies and lauding President Roosevelt for the part he played in the postal investigation.

Earlier in the day Mr. Prince, of Illinois, in a vigorous speech, predicted friction between the general staff of the army and the Secretary of War.

The military academy bill was passed without amendment.

The Senate finance committee adopted an amendment which will allow national banks to use Panama canal bonds as a basis for circulation.

The House committee on judiciary heard testimony against the news print paper trust.

The Senate committee on education and labor resumed hearings for and against the eight-hour law.

Wanzer & Co., one of the oldest and best known houses in the grain trade in Chicago, failed today.

Today's Telegraphic News

Five People Burned to Death.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., April 6.—Five people were burned to death and four others burned, one fatally, in a conflagration which destroyed Columbia Hall, shortly before five o'clock this morning. Practically the entire family of Nathan Frey perished in flames. Several others were more or less injured. The ground floor of Columbia Hall was occupied by the piano factory of J. C. Schlicher, and the carriage repository of D. R. Woods. The second floor was an auditorium, used for theatrical purposes, and the top floor was occupied by families. The building was frame. It was shortly before 5 o'clock when Louis Levine smelled smoke. He found the complete lower floor in flames, and escape by the stairway cut off. Levine seized his baby and calling to his wife to follow him fled to the roof where he made his escape to the adjoining building. Mrs. Levine was overcome by smoke, and rescued in an unconscious condition. Levine aroused the house by his cries and the frightened tenants poured into the smoke filled hallways. Nathan Frey, paralyzed by fear, stumbled back in his apartment and awoke his wife, the three children and the maid. The open door of the apartment created a draft and the flames caught them. Mrs. Frey made her escape. Mrs. Frey made her escape but Mr. Frey, carrying two children in his arms, and followed by the eldest child and the maid, were caught and burned in the doorway. Mrs. A. E. Berry, while descending a ladder, which broke, fell and dislocated her hip. The fire department in the meantime had arrived, and with long ladders the tenants who were huddled on the roof were carried to the street in safety. The origin of the fire has not been determined. The loss is estimated at \$15,000. The tenants lost all their belongings.

Attempt to Use Anti-Oil Sentiment.

St. Paul, Minn., April 6.—James J. Hill, through his personal representatives in St. Paul, is using his utmost efforts to swing the strong anti-standard oil sentiment in the northwest against Harriman and Pierce in the battle for the return of Northern Pacific shares by the Northern Securities Company. Mr. Hill's newspaper this morning puts forward John D. Rockefeller as the power behind Mr. Harriman and draws lurid pictures of the evils that will befall the northwest should the Union Pacific secure the Northern Pacific. Five leading contentions will be advanced by the securities company in opposing the petition. Outlined by a securities attorney, these are that the court has no jurisdiction; that it cannot allow Harriman and Pierce, as trustees, to become preferred shareholders; that they cannot be permitted to absorb the profits due to the increase in value of Northern Pacific common; that the Oregon Short Line cannot legally own and vote Northern Pacific shares, and that Harriman and Pierce did not sell to the Securities Company but to Morgan and Company, and are entitled to no redress except from that banking house.

Jersey City, N. J., April 6.—Lawyer

Charles Thompson today secured from Vice Chancellor Bergen an order requiring the Northern Securities Company to show cause why it should not be restrained from voting to reduce its stock at the annual meeting in Hoboken April 28th. The writ is made returnable in Jersey City April 13th. Lawyer Thompson represents the Continental Securities Company, the complainants.

Pennsylvania Republicans.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 6.—The republican State convention was called to order in the Opera House at 10 o'clock this morning. After calling the roll, Mr. McAffee, of Allegheny, moved that Hon. Thomas H. Capp, of Lebanon, be chosen temporary chairman of the convention, which was unanimously agreed to. Later John P. Elkins was nominated for Supreme Court Judge by acclamation, Governor Pennypacker having withdrawn from the race yesterday.

Before adjournment the convention adopted a platform affirming the principles enunciated at the last republican convention and praising President Roosevelt and the present administration, including Senator Quay. The following delegates-at-large were then elected to the Chicago convention: Samuel W. Pennypacker, Montgomery; James Elverson, Philadelphia; Francis T. Robins, Allegheny; O. Q. Bleakley, Venango.

Torturing Jews.

Berlin, April 6.—Additional private advices from Lompalanka, Bulgaria, where anti-Semite riots were reported yesterday, state that the mob inflicted injuries on their victims resembling those of Christ. They gashed the sides of the Jews, drove nails in their hands and feet and placed crowns of thorns on their heads. The authorities took energetic measures to crush the outbreak. The Bulgarian government has suppressed the news, trying to prevent the antagonizing of the internal Jewish financiers, who frequently handle Bulgarian loans.

Twins Have Babies on Same Day.

Camden, N. J., April 6.—Mrs. Patience Chambers, wife of Wm. Chambers, and Mrs. Maggie Hubbs, wife of Nelson Hubbs, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Davis Grover, both gave birth to girl babies Monday. The mothers resembled each other so closely in childhood that it was almost impossible for any one not a member of the family to distinguish them. When the day arrived at mature years the young men who paid court to them were often similarly perplexed.

Ironclad Contracts.

Bloomington, Ill., April 6.—As a result of the great depletion in the ranks of the rural school teachers of central Illinois, heartless directors are resorting to ironclad contracts with the women teachers, which read as follows: "I hereby declare that I will not get married during the term for which I am engaged to teach this school, failing to keep this provision I hereby agree to forfeit the sum of \$50." Recently at Dixon two school teachers resigned in one day, and the board had no one to take their places.

Milk Mixtures.

For babies are many times dangerous in that the milk may become tainted. Borden's Eagle Brand Condensed Milk is absolutely safe, being rendered sterile in the process of preparation. As a general household milk it is superior and always available.

Are You a Dyspeptic?

If you are a dyspeptic you owe it to yourself and your friends to get well. Dyspepsia annoys the dyspeptic's friends because his disordered system is a source of worry and discomfort. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will not only cure dyspepsia, indigestion and sour stomach, but the palatable, resinous tonic it contains strengthens the whole digestive apparatus, and sweetens the life as well as the stomach. When you take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure the food you eat is enjoyed. It digests, assimilates and its nutrient properties are appropriated by the blood and tissues. Health is the result. Sold by all druggists.

The Market

Georgetown, April 6.—Wheat 95 1/2c.

THE WAR IN THE FAR EAST.

St. Petersburg, April 6.—An official report from General Kurapatkin, the Russian commander-in-chief, brings news of another skirmish between the Japanese and Russians near Wiju. General Kurapatkin says the Japanese had five officers killed. The Russians had several men wounded but none killed. The Japanese have devastated Yongnampho, the Russian general reports. General Kurapatkin states that the news of the fight came from General Kaptalinsky, who is stationed near Turenchen, on the Island of Mortutsea, not far from Wiju. The Russians were the aggressors, volunteers making the attack. Yongnampho, which was destroyed by the Japanese, was a Russian settlement in northwestern Korea. The Japanese put the place to the torch.

Senator Burton Sentenced.

St. Louis, April 6.—United States Senator J. Ralph Burton, of Kansas, was sentenced this afternoon to six months' imprisonment in the Iron county (Mo.) jail and fined \$2,500 for using his official position as Senator in shielding the Rialto Grain and Commission Company, of St. Louis, a get rich quick concern, from the postal authorities. Mr. Burton was convicted in the U. S. court here on six or seven indictments last week. His attorneys have entered an appeal and a stay of execution. Mr. Burton was in court with Judge Crum, his attorney. He was very nervous and his hands and limbs shook visibly. In sentencing him Judge Adams said:

"The sentence which I pronounce upon you is light in comparison to the crime you have committed. But because this sentence will prevent you from ever holding public office again, I believe you will find the penalty severe enough."

Burton declined to make a statement, when asked by Judge Adams if he had anything to say before sentence was imposed. He also refused to talk to newspaper men except to declare that when he made a statement it would prove him innocent.

Union Man Killed.

Chicago, April 6.—John Nichols, 25 years old, a union can maker, from the northside plant of the American Can Co., was shot and instantly killed last night, near the Diesel factory, 40th street and Stewart avenue. The shot was fired from a train containing 250 Greek strike breakers, who were being removed from the Diesel factory, the same crowd of Greeks who early yesterday fired upon a crowd of 150 unarmed and defenseless union girls. The identity of the man who fired the shot is in doubt.

New York Stock Market.

New York April 6.—The stock market this morning was influenced largely by the character of quarterly statement of the United States Steel Corporation which was more favorable than had been generally anticipated, and the dealings in the first hour were marked by increasing strength and well distributed activity. United States Steel preferred scored an extreme advance of 1 1/2 per cent, but the gain was established almost immediately upon the opening, and subsequently the fraction was lost under realizations. The indications in the steel trust statement of the current of improvements in the iron and steel industry favorably influenced all issues in this group. In the railway list, the high priced anthracite coals developed buoyancy. The announcement in the second hour of gold engagements was somewhat unexpected but had little effect in checking the improving tendency. Business, however, showed a slight falling off.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Former Queen Isabella, of Spain, is ill with influenza. Considerable anxiety is felt regarding her condition, owing to her advanced age.

A severe earthquake shock was felt throughout Serbia last evening. Great damage was done at Vranja, while near Ristovatz, a fissure opened in the earth and a spring spouted out.

A proclamation has been issued in Siberia prohibiting the holding of public meetings, the carrying of arms, the purchase of ammunition, and the taking of any action tending to raise the price of provisions.

Liza Williams, aged 75, was last evening found dead in her cottage in Windsor, Ont. A great wound, as from the blow of an axe, was found on the top of the head, showing that she had been brutally murdered. There is no clue to the criminal.

The Sofia correspondent of the Vienna Tageblatt wires that diplomatic relations between Turkey and Bulgaria are liable to be broken off today. Premier Petkoff, he says, after a conference with Prince Ferdinand, yesterday, telegraphed M. Natchovitch, the Bulgarian envoy at Constantinople, to leave the Turkish capital today if the Turko-Bulgarian agreement was not signed.

Mysterious Death.

Mrs. Cora Boyenton, the wife of W. H. Boyenton, a wealthy merchant of Hampton and said to be a member of an old Tennessee family was found dead yesterday in a bed-room in the office suite of Dr. Charles W. Fitch on the ground floor of the apartment house at No. 201 West One Hundred and Seventeenth street, New York. Coroner Schuler has issued a certificate giving the cause of death as gas asphyxiation, but says that he is not satisfied that it was an accident and will hold an autopsy. Because he has arranged to be married tonight and desired to avoid publicity, Dr. Fitch made some conflicting statements about the case. "Mrs. Boyenton," he said, "suffered from alcoholism and neurasthenia. I had treated her before on two occasions, and two months ago she came to me again. While she lived in my office, so that I could keep her under observation, she was not under restraint and was allowed to come and go as she wished. Occasionally she was out rather late at night."

Five Persons Drowned.

Five persons, members of a pleasure party from the Florida Methodist College, at Sutherland, Fla., were drowned near Anclote lighthouse Monday night. The dead are Mrs. Walker, wife of the president of the college; Miss O'Connor, of Atlanta; Miss Slaughter, of Sutherland; Miss McCray, of Sutherland, and Mr. Boulard, of Sutherland. President Walker and Miss Newton reached the beach alive. President Walker had taken the party out for a cruise to the lighthouse, but met rough weather and the boat was overturned in the gulf.

A Thoughtful Man.

M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c at E. S. Leadbeater & Sons' drug store.

Fried claims, 30c dozen; clam soup, 10c.

every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at G. H. Zimmerman's.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

"Battling" Nelson, the Chicago light weight, knocked out "Spider" Welsh, the Californian, in the sixteenth round in Salt Lake last night.

Edward Hammond, aged 28; Jacob Hammond, aged 20, and Oscar Stevenson, aged 20, were found dead in bed this morning in Philadelphia. They had been overcome by illuminating gas.

Notwithstanding the activity of the police, in Boston the mystery surrounding the murder of Miss Mable Page remains as deep today as on Thursday last when her body was found in her home in Weston, full of stab wounds.

Mr. J. P. Morgan accompanied by Miss Morgan, sailed from New York today on the Oceanic. To strengthen the denial, that he would not locate permanently abroad, Mr. Morgan said that he has made arrangements to return in June.

A man supposed to be Lewis Moberg, of Minneapolis, lies dead at the morgue, the victim of cold blooded murder. At Northfield, Minnesota, about 60 miles south of Minneapolis, are two lads, Joe Lewis, aged 17, and Alexander Stewart, 15, who confessed to killing Moberg during a fight in a Rock Island freight car Monday night. All three were stealing a ride to Minneapolis.

A blaze in the New York subway this morning at the corner of Fulton and Broadway fused all telegraph and telephone wires leading north and put a stop to communication. Newspaper offices were suddenly cut off, and all messages up town were delivered by carriers. When it was learned that business would be interrupted for some time the whole office force of the Publishers' Press was moved bag and baggage to the Western Union building, where business was resumed as soon as possible. The fire was finally extinguished. The damage was slight.

A Onesided Fight.

Herr Placke, the champion of Holland, made a sorry spectacle of himself last night in a fight with "Kid" McCoy at the Lenox Club in Philadelphia. Standing six inches taller and weighing over 70 pounds more than his pale-faced opponent, he was beaten almost insensibly in less than four minutes. Placke never laid a glove on McCoy except when the men clinched, and the cool, calculating McCoy darted in and out and around his burly opponent. McCoy would feint with his right and then drive his left to the face viciously, scarcely ever failing to bring the blood. Before the first round ended Placke was covered with blood from his neck to his waist, and both eyes were almost closed. Just before the goad sounded announcing the close of the first round McCoy drove a vicious left flush to the chin, dropping Placke like a log. The goad saved him from being knocked out. He was carried to his corner, only to be knocked out ten seconds after the opening of hostilities in the second round. McCoy feinted with right and then drove his left square to the point of Placke's nose. The latter intuitively placed his left hand over the damaged organ and dropped to his knees. The blood was running from him in a stream. As he knelt by the ropes the police appeared at the ringside and stopped the bout.

Doctor Saved Himself.

Dr. George L. Harmon, of Savannah, Ga., a member of the Board of Aldermen, is recovering from an attack of blood poisoning that was expected to prove fatal. His attending physicians a few days ago had despaired of his life. He advised them to operate upon him, suggesting that they open a place behind the eye that felt to him to be the seat of gravest trouble. The doctors declined, thinking it unadvisable, and contented themselves with making a mere superficial opening. Racked by pain, Dr. Harmon, then almost at death's door, ordered his negro driver, who acted as his nurse, to get his lancet. Then the attendant lifted the doctor in bed. The doctor took his lance and thrust it upward through the roof of his mouth, making the incision that he had thought necessary, despite the contrary advice of his physicians. Almost at once he began to mend. Dr. Harmon was poisoned by his own carelessness. He opened a fever blister with a lancet he had not cleaned after having opened a carbuncle for a patient.

Tragedy in a Convention.

A fatal shooting affray occurred at Rolfe, in McDowell county, W. Va., Monday night, between John McFarland, a policeman of North Fork, and Joseph Ballard, a merchant, of Keystone. Ballard was a candidate for justice of the peace for North Fork and the convention was held at Rolfe. There was so much interest in the contest that Ballard had secured a special train and taken his friends to the convention. McFarland was against Ballard's candidacy, and this brought the men into a quarrel. McFarland drew his pistol and fired on Ballard. They were within arm's length of each other, and as soon as McFarland fired Ballard wrenched the pistol from the policeman's hand and turning it on its owner fired three times, each shot taking effect. Both men were mortally wounded, and Ballard died Monday night. McFarland is expected to die any time.

Virginia Weddings.

Miss Alysie Blanche Morgan and William Ayres Reynolds were married in Richmond yesterday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Morgan, parents of the bride.

A marriage of social interest occurred in St. Paul's Church, Richmond, at 8:30 o'clock yesterday evening, when Miss Elsie Calvin Bragg became the bride of Granville Gray Valentine.

Yesterday at 3:30 Miss Mary Register Warner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac V. Warner, of Paconia Springs, Loudoun county, became the bride of J. Clinton Potts, of the same place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles T. Herndon, of the Baptist Church.

The marriage of Miss Helen Temple

Southall, daughter of Mr. John Howard Southall, took place at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Holy Trinity Church, Richmond, to Stuart Mortimer Conant, formerly of New York but now an electrical engineer of Atlanta, Ga.

A Thoughtful Man.

M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c at E. S. Leadbeater & Sons' drug store.

Fried claims, 30c dozen; clam soup, 10c.